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SUBJ: PRC AND JAPAN TO OPEN SHIPPING OFFICES

1. CHINA AND JAPAN WILL OFFICIALLY OPEN OCEAN SHIPPING OFFICES IN PEKING AND TOKYO ON JUNE 24. THE JAPANESE DELEGATION ARRIVED IN PEKING JUNE 13 TO PREPARE THE OFFICE WHICH WILL BE STAFFED BY THREE OFFICIALS REPRESENTING ALL JAPANESE SHIPPPING COMPANIES INVOLVED IN CHINA-JAPAN TRADE. THE OFFICE IN TOKYO OF THE CHINA OCEAN SHIPPING COMPANY (COSCO) WILL BE STAFFED BY SIX PEOPLE.

2. FORMAL AGREEMENT TO OPEN THE OFFICE WAS REACHED IN AUGUST 1976 UNDER THE AUTHORITIY OF THE PRC-JAPAN MARITIME AGREEMENT. THE OFFICIES ARE DESIGNED TO FACILITATE COMMUNICATION ON SUCH ISSUES AS FREIGHT RATES, CARGO-SHARING, AND ESTABLISHMENT OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED CARGO LINER SERVICE. THE NEED FOR IMPROVED
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SERVICE IS URGENT, ACCORDING TO JAPANESE EMBASSY OFFICER, BECAUSE JAPANESE SHIPPERS CANNOT RELY ON THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF INDEFINITE SAILINGS. A DELEGATION OF JAPANESE SHIPPERS IS EXPECTED WITHIN THREE MONTHS TO HOLD FORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH COSCO.

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